



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

In re Application of )

Suehiro Mizukawa )

) Art Unit: 3724

Appln. No. 09/926,384 )

) Ex: J. D. Prone

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For : BLADE MATERIAL CUTTING DEVICE )

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**RESPONSE**

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**Introductory Comments**

The following amendments to the specification and claims are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of August 26, 2003. Also submitted herewith is a request to amend the drawings.